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October 9, 2009

The Honorable Charles Terreni
Chief Clerk of the Commission
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Post Office Drawer 11649
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Re: Docket No. 2009-326-C (State Universal Service Support of Basic Local
Service Included in a Bundled Service Offering or Contract Offering)

Dear Mr. Terreni:

In the course of preparing AT&T South Carolina's letter addressing Direct Testimony in this docket, I noticed that AT&T South Carolina's August 14, 2009 letter setting forth its position in this docket does not appear on the Commission's website. I have attached another copy of that letter and respectfully request that the Commission post it on its website under this docket.¹

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick W. Turner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patrick W. Turner

Attachment
cc All Parties of Record

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¹ I have been able to reach four parties of record, and each of those parties has confirmed its receipt of this letter. I also have attached an email showing that this letter was distributed electronically to all parties of record on August 14, 2009.



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Dear Mr. Terreni:

Consistent with the Hearing Officer's Directive of July 31, 2009 in Docket No. 1997-239-C, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T South Carolina respectfully submits its position on the issue in this docket.

AT&T South Carolina intends to elect to operate under the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-576(C) and anticipates that its election will be effective before testimony is filed in this docket. At that time, AT&T South Carolina's withdrawals from the State USF will be governed by the provisions of subsections 58-9-576(C)(9)(b),(c), and (d), and not by the Commission's determination of the issue in this docket. AT&T South Carolina, therefore, does not take a position on the issue in this docket¹ and is participating solely in order to protect its rights and interests as a current and future contributor into the State USF.

Sincerely,

Patrick W. Turner

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¹ This is without prejudice to the ability of any AT&T entity to take positions on similar issues in similar proceedings in other jurisdictions. AT&T, for example, generally supports the payment of state and federal USF high cost support for qualifying service provided by a qualifying carrier over high cost lines even when that service is part of a bundle of services.

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COUNTY OF RICHLAND) CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, Jeanette B. Mattison, hereby certifies that she is employed by the Legal Department for AT&T South Carolina ("AT&T") and that she has caused AT&T South Carolina's letter dated August 14, 2009, addressed to The Honorable Charles Terreni at the South Carolina Public Service Commission in Docket No. 2009-326-C to be served upon the following this August 14, 2009:

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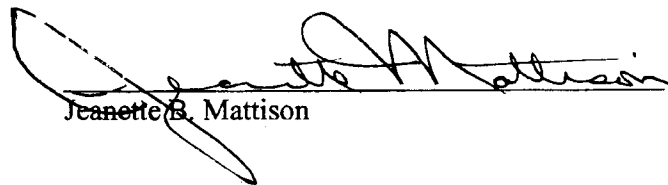
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The attached letter concerning the above-referenced docket was filed with the South Carolina Public Service Commission today.

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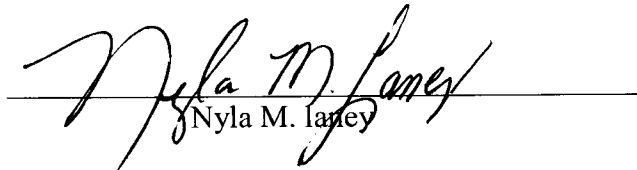
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